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REMARKS

Applicant has amended this application in response to the office action. Schmidt does not disclose the limitations required by claim 1, wherein the interlock valve is positioned downstream of a parking brake control valve. The Schmidt reference also does not disclose that which is required by new dependent claim 12, that the reservoir is connected to atmosphere if the feedback member is not at the expected position. Claim 8 and independent claim 13 are allowable for similar reasons.

The examiner's questions with regard to the failure to illustrate a pneumatic actuator are not understood. Figure 4 shows the embodiment of a pneumatic actuator. The embodiment may be shown schematically, however, as mentioned in the specification, such actuators are known in the art.

The examiner also questioned whether the single numeral 60 can be properly applied to a group of distinct pipes. Applicant feels the indication is acceptable, as the group of pipes are merely a collection of several pipes known in the art. A specific description is not necessary.

For the reasons set forth above, all claims are allowable. An indication of such is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

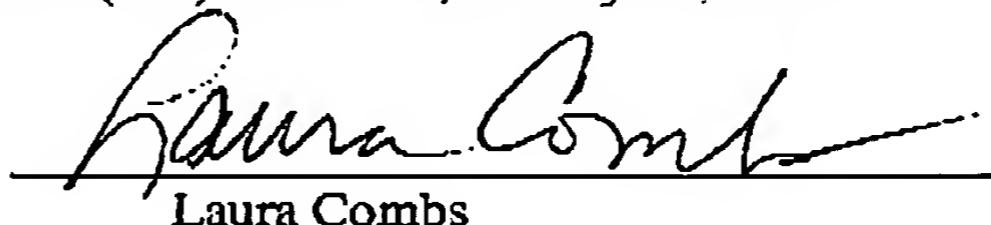


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